and facilities have been given or are proposed to be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (f) Suggestions have been received from some States that Block/Taluk should be the unit for determining backwardness of an area rather than District. These, alongwith other suggestions received from the State Governments, will be considered by an Inter-Ministerial Committee constituted by the Government of India to review and revise the existing scheme which is valid till 31-3-1986.

Representations from Judicial Service Associations

2294. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have received a number of representations from various Judicial Service Associations regarding their grievances and demands during the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) Since the control over District Courts and Courts Subordinate thereto vests with High Court and the State Government concerned, representations received from Judicial Service Associations are forwarded to the respective State Governments for appropriate action.

Criteria for allotment of LPG agencies

2295. SHRI RAMSINGBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria for allotting gas agencies and petrol pumps to (i) Scheduled Tribes, (ii) Scheduled Castes, (iii) Disabled, (iv) war widows, (v) ex-servicemen, (vi) women and (vii) weaker sections of the society;

(b) how many such gas agencies and petrol pumps have been given to above categories of people in various States and Union Territories during the last three years and particularly in the district of Baroda, Bulsar, Surat and Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli inhabited with Tribal population, and

(c) what are the plans and proposals for allotting agencies/pumps to above categories of people in the above districts of Gujarat and in the said Union Territory for 1985, 1986 and 1987?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) To provide gainful employment to SC/ST and candidates from other Social Objective categories, the following reservations for each category have been stipulated for dealership appointments:—

Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes (SC/ST) . . .	25%
Unemployed Graduates/Unemployed Engineering Graduates (UG/UEG) . . .	25%
Defence Category . . .	7½%
Physically Handicapped (PH) .	7½%
Freedom Fighters (FF) . .	5%
Others (O)	30%

While there is no separate reservation for ex-servicemen, women and weaker sections of the society, they have been allotted distributionships in the past according to eligibility in the categories listed above.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.